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THE HOME.**A Morning Prayer.**

Let me to-day do something that shall take

A little sadness from the world's vast store,

And may I be so favored as to make

Of joy's too scanty sum a little more.

Let me not hurt, by any selfish deed,

Or thoughtless word, the heart of foe or friend;

Nor would I pass, unseeing, worthy need,

Or sin by silence when I should defend.

However meager be my worldly wealth,

Let me give something that may aid my kind,

A word of courage, or a thought of health,

Dropped as I pass for troubled hearts to find.

Let me to-night look back across the span

"Twixt dawn and dark, and to my conscience say—

Because of some good act to beast or man—

"The world is better that I have lived to-day."

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

The Cold Spare Bed.

When you have a friend to visit you, if she be a welcome guest,

You will try to make her happy, and you'll give her of your best;

You'll tell her all the story of your varied household cares,

And everlastingly you'll prate about your own affairs;

But whatever else you do, don't for heaven's sake, be led

To put that helpless woman in the cold spare bed!

You may tell her of your troubles with your numerous hired girls,

And what "she said," and what "I said," till her understanding whirls;

You may talk of the servant question till the setting moon's last gleam,

And begin again next morning on the same old tiresome theme;

But whatever else you do, don't for heaven's sake, be led

To put that helpless woman in the cold spare bed!

You may tell her of your pains and aches, and what the doctor said,

That time you came near dying with neuralgia in your head;

Or how you poured down bitters, and drops and patent pills,

When you caught the dread malaria, and had such awful chills;

You may bore her, you may weary her, till she wishes she were dead;

But for heaven's sake, don't put her in the cold spare bed!

—New England Farmer.

Put Children on Their Honor.

"A woman who will study a boy's character and win his love will hold him forever. Woman's influence is paramount in the life of both boy and man. A wife is the making or the breaking of the man."

This statement was made by Miss Elizabeth Hogan of Philadelphia, who with the advent of the twentieth century resigned her position as principal of the Saunders school. Her resignation follows 52 years' work as a teacher. Being a thoroughly feminine woman, while loving the girls who were her pupils, her heart has gone out wholly to her boys. And there were so many of the latter that she had ample opportunity to study masculine human nature.

She has instructed 6000 children in the day schools, and more than 12,000 men, women and children in the night schools. The years have silvered her hair and written on her brow the peace and calm that only come to those who have striven and conquered, but her heart is as young and untouched by the world as it was in those far days when she began her life work.

"From a child I wanted to be a teacher," said Miss Hogan. "It was the height of my ambition to instruct the young." To this I at-

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tribute my success. To succeed in any line you must love your work. Always my heart went out to the boys. I like their character. A woman can do what she will with a boy, if she tries to understand him.

"You must teach him from babyhood what the word 'honor' means. I never approved of monitors in school. The system encourages spying and tale-bearing.

"Children, what are you trying to acquire that is worth more than all the money in the world?" was the question I asked them.

"Honor," was their prompt reply always.

"I would leave my schoolroom without any one in charge, and on returning they would look at me trustingly, their dear, bright eyes saying, 'We were good.' Always I put them on their honor. If the children had the fact impressed in them at home that they must be honorable and upright the world would be different.

"Half the women in the world do not understand what motherhood means, and so the influence with their children falls short of its possibilities. The mother's influence with the child is paramount. She has the moulding of his character, and can, in many cases, overcome inherited tendencies.

Next to the mother's is the influence of the good teacher. I have never had any trouble with the 'bad boy' of the neighborhood or school. If an unruly boy entered my school and his mother came to me, saying that he was a very bad boy, at the same time telling me how to punish him, I would think she was a bad woman to tell on her son. Then I would set about taming him in my own way.

"I always began, by giving him something to do for me personally; made him feel that he was necessary to my happiness and comfort. That was the first step. Always I made him one of my best friends. As for the namby-pamby boys, there is nothing in them. If you get a goody-goody boy, look out. There is something behind that sanctimonious air.

"Give me the true boy, the one who gets into mischief. He is the first to grasp the meaning of the word 'honor'."

God's Way.

MRS. CLARA V. LEONARD.

Should we be permitted to pass through life without misfortune or bereavement, we would in all probability accomplish but little good in this world and our memory would soon be forgotten. It often occurs that in the darkest hours of our lives the best resolutions are formed, and events we look upon as the most insignificant prove of the greatest moment.

Had John Bunyan, who for twelve years was confined in Bedford jail, been released in the beginning of his trouble and allowed his liberty, he would doubtless have returned to his trade, which was that of a tinker, and died in obscurity. But God did not intend it to be so. Shut out from the external world and from all friends, he soon learned to communicate with his own soul, and at length inspired by Him who drank the dregs of persecution and suffered on Golgotha he composed the grandest of all allegories—the Pilgrim's Progress, which in the purity of its teachings ranks second to the bible. Trouble therefore develops character, gives us a distaste for sin and makes us sensible to the sorrows of others, and teaches us to be humble, kind, gentle and forgiving at all times and under all circumstances, remembering that we ourselves are not without faults, and that with what measure we mete unto others it will be measured unto us again.

God's eye is ever upon us and His spirit ever ready to give us cheer and comfort if we seek Him in the sincerity of our hearts. His ways are not our ways, and we should therefore take courage in adversity, not forgetful of the great promise that if we are followers of Him who when on earth was ever found where sorrowing and suffering was greatest, He will guide us safely out of darkness into everlasting sunshine, joy, and peace.

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Women who work, especially those who are constantly on their feet, are peculiarly liable to the development of organic troubles, and should particularly heed the first manifestations, such as backache, pains in the lower limbs and lower part of the stomach, irregular and painful monthly periods,



Miss ELLA BRENNER, E. ROCHESTER, OHIO.

faintness, weakness, loss of appetite and sleep.

The young lady whose portrait we publish here with had all these symptoms, and in addition leucorrhoea, and was cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. First, she wrote a letter to Mrs. Pinkham's laboratory at Lynn, Mass., describing her trouble, received in reply accurate instructions what to do to get well, and now wishes her name used to convince others that they may be cured as she was.

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WIT AND WISDOM.

"Dear me," said the golden rod, looking over the fence into the corn field, "what big ears you have. I suppose that's the reason you look so cut-up."

The corn didn't say anything, but they who saw it, said it looked awfully shocked.

Hives are a terrible torment to the little folks, and to some older ones. Easily cured. Doan's Ointment never fails. Instant relief, permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

Farmers ought to keep everything in neat and tidy order, but it isn't so bad to have one field a-rye for winter pasture.

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A household necessity—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Heals burns, cuts, wounds of any sort; cures sore throat, croup, catarrh, asthma; never fails.

"Dear Father," wrote Miss Summer-girl who was spending her first season in the country. "You must let me come home at once. I don't think these are very nice people. I saw them getting potatoes for dinner to-day, and they got them out of the ground!"

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

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A crafty old fox once saw some fine bunches of grapes ripening in a vineyard, but far beyond his reach. After gazing at them some time he said to himself:

Those grapes may be sour, but judging from the care taken with them, I hardly think so."

He accordingly loped off to the city and disguising himself as a commission merchant, got them all as soon as they were fully ripened without even the trouble of picking.

This fable teaches us that all road lead to home.

"I owe my whole life to Burdock Blood Bitters. Scrofulous sores covered my body. I seemed beyond cure. B. B. B. has made me a perfectly well woman." Mrs. Chas. Hutton, Berville, Me.

"PUSH" WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER.

A New Orleans lawyer, who was recently asked to talk to the boys of a business school, prefaced his address by a few extempore remarks.

"My young friends," he said, "as I approached the entrance to this room I noticed on the panel of the door a word eminently appropriate to an institution of this kind. It expresses the one thing most useful to the average man when he steps into the arena of life. It was—"

"Pull!" shouted the boys with a roar of laughter, while the horrified politician recognized that he had taken his text from the wrong side of the door.

Mrs. C. E. VanDeusen, of Kilmoryn, Wis., was afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation for a long time. She says, "I have tried many preparations but none have done me the good that Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets have." These Tablets are for sale at Wiley's drug store. Price, 25 cents. Samples free.

To the Deaf.

A rich lady, cured of her deafness and noises in the head by Dr. Nicholson's Artificial Ear Drums, gave \$10,000 to his institute, so that deaf people unable to procure the Ear Drums may have them free. Address No. 4737, The Nicholson Institute, 780 Eighth Avenue, New York.

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"Cannot Say Enough."

The expression, "I cannot say enough," has fallen from the lips of many grateful persons, as it fell from those of a lady residing in Bangorville, Me., in the course of a conversation I had with her last spring.

But I shall never forget how much significance her manner gave an expression so familiar.

She was, indeed, grateful. It was interesting to hear her tell how she had been troubled by a persistent foe for five long years. When she told me that there had been bunches on her neck so sore that she could not bear to have them touched, however lightly, and that her throat had also been affected, I recognized the persistent foe as an ancient foe of the race, that sometimes makes havoc of the whole system, disfiguring the face, wasting the muscles, corroding the bones, causing eruptions, inflamed eyelids, sore ears, general debility and consumption, commonly beginning its attack in bunches on the neck, otherwise known as glandular tumors—in a word, that the persistent foe was scrofula.

And it was scrofula, and nothing else. She tried again and again to rid herself of it, and her failure to do so troubled her exceedingly, for she had learned that the disease is progressive—it always grows worse—and she feared a surgical operation might be necessary for the removal of the bunches.

And it might have been submitted to had not Hood's Sarsaparilla been recommended to her.

She wisely concluded to see if there was any virtue in this medicine, if it would cure her.

"The first bottle," she said to me, "relieved all the soreness of the bunches on my neck, and the second entirely removed the bunches themselves. Hood's Sarsaparilla radically and permanently cured me, and when I praise it, as I do gratefully for my release—for such I regard it—I cannot say enough."

Her name is Mrs. Manley I. Davis, and she is still residing at Bangorville. Many medicines are said to eradicate scrofula, but Hood's Sarsaparilla DOES eradicate it, positively and absolutely. This statement is based on the thousands of permanent cures this medicine has wrought. It cleanses the blood of all impurities, inherited or acquired; cures all cutaneous eruptions, catarrh, rheumatism, kidney complaint, and all low or run-down conditions of the system.

Do not fail to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, for it cannot fail to do you good. All druggists.

RUMFORD FALLS.

Helen Atwood is on the sick list. Mary Bisbee visited at Paris last week.

W. H. Connell of Bath was in town Wednesday, visiting his friends and customers.

Mrs. F. J. Rolfe spent Sunday in Portland with her son.

Chas. Moy is acting as assistant postmaster, during the illness of Helen Atwood.

Jennie McGivney, who has been in New York for several weeks, returned last Friday.

Miss Clytie DeCoster of Canton has been the guest of Mrs. Anthony Bemis the past week.

Eva and Sarah Eaton left for Portland Friday morning, where they will attend Shaw's Business College.

Mrs. Henry Coulombe of Gorham, N. H., is in town for a few days, visiting her son and four sisters who live there.

The funeral services of the little child of Irving E. Harvey and wife were held at their home Wednesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. G. B. Hannaford, assisted by Rev. J. L. Hoyle.

At the fourth quarterly conference held by Presiding Elder Southard, Rev. J. L. Hoyle received a unanimous invitation to return as pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church for the fifth year.

Chas. Israelson is making great improvements in his store, and among others is painting it blue, both inside and out. New goods are also being added. In the future this will be known as the "Blue Store."

Gonya Bros. seem to be doing a big business in hats the last few weeks, and claim their stock to be the most complete in every particular. They have just received another invoice of the latest blocks and shades and they are all right.

Samuel R. Hussey, 84, died of pneumonia at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. B. Redmond, Sunday morning, March 3. Mr. Hussey was born in Oakland, where he was taken for burial. Funeral services were in charge of Rev. J. L. Hoyle.

Rody McDonald, engineer of a logging train on the Houghton branch, is confined to his bed as the result of injuries received while on duty, last Saturday. The weather was quite foggy and in order to see the signals, he was sitting on the window sill of his cab, when he was struck on the back by a skid which pinned him to the side of the cab. Although there were no bones broken, he was quite badly hurt. He was brought to Rumford Falls on a special and is resting comfortably.



The Message of Spring

Health to the broken-down
Strength to the weak
Sleep to the sleepless
Energy to the worn-out
Elasticity to the nerves
Pure blood

The practical, helpful message which puts new heart into every ailing man or woman in the message of health brought by the world's greatest medicine.

DR. GREENE'S NERVURA

BLOOD AND NERVE REMEDY
Rebuilds, Sustains, Cures.

Nearly everybody needs toning up in the Spring, but to those who are weak and exhausted by disease this is a specially trying time. It is now you feel the burdens of life as never before. All your weakest spots are attacked and nature is not strong enough to pull along unaided.

Mrs. C. D. Smith, Waitsfield, Vt., says:

"I have been for a long time feeble, my nerves being very weak. Many times when I awoke in the morning, I could not control myself in the least and my nervousness found vent in a long spell of weeping. It was 12 years ago that I was taken with this nervous trouble, and I have suffered much. I have employed many doctors with varying results. I can truthfully say that I have been greatly benefited by Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, and since I have used Nervura my nerves have been calm and quiet, my general health has been better. I think the medicine is an excellent one and I gladly recommend it to others."

Dr. Greene's NERVURA Blood and Nerve Remedy is the Help You Need.

Mrs. D. O. Fernald, of Manchester, N. H., writes:

"I have used Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy for nervousness. Loss of sleep and appetite were the principal effects caused by my condition. The ringing of a bell or any sudden sound, no matter if trifling, would cause me to start and it would greatly affect my nerves. Seeing in the paper how valuable Dr. Greene's Nervura was, I began taking it, and the result was very satisfactory. I took four bottles and I can sleep beautifully and my appetite has returned. I feel so much better that I have now stopped taking the Nervura."

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Simple, but marvelous is the work of Dr. Greene's great medicine, and its successes are due to the harmonious fitting in of its elements with nature's own forces. Dr. Greene's advice is to be had without cost by all who call at his office, 34 Temple Place, Boston, or who write to him through the mail. The laws of health are explained by Dr. Greene easily, and his advice and treatment are absolutely certain help.

ANDOVER.

There is much sickness at the present time.

A number of lumbermen are out of the woods with colds.

Rufus Merrill of East Andover has been very ill and we do not hear that he is improving.

The King's Daughters held a baked bean supper at the town hall on Tuesday evening, March 5, after which a Book social was held.

On Wednesday evening, the 6th, Sarah Bailey entertained the Congregational Ladies' Circle at town hall. A picnic supper was enjoyed.

We are sorry to hear of the protracted illness of Llewellyn Elliot at North Rumford. We trust that when the warm spring days come he will rapidly recover.

We do not hear that anyone has yet tapped trees. We hope some of that fine maple syrup will be made which the Andover sugar orchards have produced in the past.

A new order of service has been introduced at the Congregational church, by Rev. J. A. Waterworth. This service is one in which the people take an active part. It was voted at the church meeting, Thursday afternoon, Feb. 28, to try this for one month and then decide as to continuing the same. The Y. P. S. C. E. have purchased new singing books for their social meetings. It is the book published by the United Society of Christian Endeavor.

We have read the report of the Andover Library Association with interest. Five thousand volumes

were loaned during the year and over four hundred volumes added to it. The thanks of all who are interested in the library is due to the ladies and gentlemen who worked so hard to place the books in a place of security during the burning of the hotel. There are a number of unbound books still in Portland in process of binding, including Harper's, St. Nicholas, Popular Science Monthly, etc. The president of the association has been in Brookline, Mass., for the winter, but the librarian has done faithful service and I think I can speak for the community in testifying to the pleasure and, we trust, profit also which this institution affords us, shut in as we are from the outside world during the winter months.

GROVER HILL.

"O March that blusters, and March that blows,
What color under your footstep glows!
Beautify you sunmen from winter snows,
And you are the pathway that leads to the rose."

Walter M. Browne recently visited friends in Norway.

Dr. C. F. Reed of Hartford was in this place last Friday.

William L. Chapman was at this place on business one day last week.

Some of the farmers have sold their potatoes to Woodbury & Purington.

George Harding and Clyde Whitman have harvested Peter Wheeler's ice.

Miss Cora Scribner of Albany was the recent guest of Mrs. Sewall J. Walker.

CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

WEST BETHEL.

"There are pale, sweet blossoms beneath the sod,
That will not blossom till May,
And I long for the first warm blush of spring,
And the merry swallow upon the wing.
And to hear the first wild robin sing
In the maples over the way;
But faded blossoms of golden-rod
Bend over the blossoms beneath the sod."

Crows have come.

Guy Flint is working for A. J. Haskell.

H. P. Dennison was in Lewiston Saturday.

Miss Edna Stearns of Milan, N. H., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. A. J. Haskell.

It is reported that Percy O'Brien has bought the Amos Scribner farm of G. D. Morrill.

N. Porter Ordway of Greenland, N. H., is visiting his brother, Ly-sander Ordway, of this village.

Mrs. Hattie A. Grover went to Grafton, Wednesday, to visit her mother, Mrs. Mary A. Dow.

Mrs. I. Wallace Mason has been with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Wheeler, for a few days.

Charles F. Reed of Hartford was in this village on Saturday last selling flavoring extracts, and medicines of his own preparation.

The infant daughter and only child of Mr. and Mrs. Percy O'Brien died when two days old, and the parents have the sympathy of the community. The tender earthly bud becomes a heavenly flower in the protecting arms of "Our Father."

What Shall We Have for Dessert?
This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it to-day. Try Jell-O, a delicious dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No baking! Add hot water and set to cool. Flavors—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. At your grocers. 10 cents. 13

DIXFIELD.

S. N. Buck of Norway was in town on business last week.

Mrs. Newton Stowell is visiting her daughter and other friends in Boston.

Chas. M. Herrick of Locke Mills, is doing machine work at Merrill & Co.'s spool mill.

Mrs. Wm. Wait was called to Farmington last week, by the death of her brother.

A. O. Stanley is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Richard Kimball at Dorchester, Mass.

E. L. Kidder is again at work at Merrill & Co.'s mill, after an absence of several weeks, caused by sickness.

The Good Templars are planning another entertainment to be given in the near future and it's to be the best of the season.

On Saturday, March 10, Tuscan Lodge No. 22, I. O. O. F. will meet and vote to see whether they will erect a building or not. All members are requested to attend.

The many friends of Mrs. W. F. Putman will be pleased to learn that she will return to her home in Dixfield the last of the week. They will all be glad to see her again.

Arrangements are being made to have a special train run to Rumford Falls and return on Mar. 22, to accommodate those wishing to attend the Musical conducted by Mr. Chapman, the well known Festival conductor.

The Rebekahs have ordered officers' regalia, members' collars, banners, and other things needed to begin work with. Although their finances are not heavy, they have an unlimited amount of courage and will get along.

Rev. W. R. Purinton and E. L. Kidder are making arrangements for a series of public temperance meetings to be held at Peru and along the line to the upper part of Rumford. The series will begin next Monday at Peru. Rev. A. S. Bisbee will lecture.

The very sudden and unexpected death of Rev. E. V. Wheeler, which occurred at his home in Madrid, Friday of last week, caused a shadow to fall over the homes of his many friends in Dixfield. He has been a welcomed visitor to our village for the past four years and has many friends here who mourn his loss, and have deep sympathy for his bereaved family. He began the erection of a church here last spring in which he was greatly interested, having the building up and completed on the outside and intended to finish the inside in the early spring. He was a willing worker with both heart and hands. He has held revival meeting in both Oxford and Franklin counties and was instrumental in leading many souls to Christ.

A Remedy for the Grippe.

A remedy recommended for patients afflicted with the Grippe is KEMP'S BALSAM, which is especially adapted for the throat and lungs. Don't wait for the first symptoms of the disease, get a bottle to-day and keep it for use the moment it is needed. If neglected the Grippe has a tendency to break on pneumonia. KEMP'S BALSAM prevents this by keeping the cough loose and lungs free from inflammation. All druggists sell KEMP'S BALSAM at 25c and 50c.

An Honest Medicine for LaGrippe.

George W. Waitt, of South Gardiner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one bottle of it and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine."

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For Sale.

I have about 40 hens, Plymouth Rocks and White Leghorns, which I will sell. Inquire of C. D. Atherton, Sunday River. P. O., Bethel, Me.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:
At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one. The following matter having been presented for the notice thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ordered:
That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel News a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of March, A. D. 1901, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon as they see cause.
CHARLES P. HATFIELD, late of Hanover, deceased; will and petition for probate of, presented by Martha E. Bartlett, the executrix therein named.
ADDITION E. HERRICK, Judge of Probate. A true copy—attest:
SWAN ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

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By far the largest line we have ever brought to town is open. The stock consists of newest cloths in latest colors—too numerous to go into detail, but we want to emphasize the fact that in the

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Send your full post office address to the Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Rondout, N. Y., and mention this paper. They will then mail you a trial bottle of Favorite Remedy and a valuable medical pamphlet free, giving full directions for its use. Every reader of this paper can depend upon the genuineness of this liberal offer, and all sufferers from the diseases mentioned above should take advantage of it at once.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

Time Table in Effect January 1, 1901.
TRAINS FROM ISLAND POND TO PORTLAND RUN AS FOLLOWS:

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave,	2.30	5.55	1.15
Gorham,	4.34	8.10	3.03
Gilead,	...	8.20	3.21
West Bethel,	...	8.38	3.31
BETHEL, arrive,	5.14	8.45	3.39
Locke's Mills,	...	8.52	3.48
Bryant Pond,	5.30	8.58	3.55
South Paris,	6.03	9.28	4.20
Portland,	8.00	11.15	5.45

TRAINS FROM PORTLAND TO ISLAND POND RUN AS FOLLOWS:

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	8.15	1.30	6.00
South Paris,	9.53	3.38	7.58
Bryant Pond,	10.22	4.20	8.20
Locke's Mills,	10.31	4.28	8.50
BETHEL, arrive,	10.41	4.38	9.03
West Bethel,	10.47	4.46	9.13
Gilead,	10.58	4.59	9.28
Gorham,	11.24	5.42	10.00
Island Pond,	1.43	7.50	12.40

The train which leaves Island Pond at 2.30 A. M., and the one which leaves Portland at 6.00 P. M., run every day; all others every day except Sunday. Sunday paper train from Portland arrives at Bethel at 10.05 A. M.

M. W. CHANDLER, Agent.

CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

The Four Big Brooms.

"Oh mother, why does the big wind blow,
And rattle the window-pane?
If I close my eyes to sleep just so,
It wakes me up again;
If I hide my head beneath the spread,
You speak so soft and low
That I cannot hear what you have said,
Oh, why does the big wind blow?"

"Let us play, my darling, a merry play.
The winds are four big brooms
That sweep the world on a windy day
As Mary sweeps our rooms.
The south wind is the parlor brush
That sweeps in a quiet way,
But the north wind comes with roar
and rush
On the world-wide sweeping day.

Like Mary sweeping the halls and stairs
Is the work of the good west broom,
And the sweetest odors, the softest airs
Float over the world's wide room.
But to-night the broom from the east is here,
And with it comes the rain,
Like John when he brushes the porch,
my dear,
And hoses the window-pane."

The little boy laughed and cuddled close
In his warm and downy bed.
"I hear the broom and I hear the hose,
And I like them both," he said.
And so, though the rain may pelt away,
And the big wind loudly roar,
He remembers the wide world's sweep-
ing day
And thinks of the big brooms four.
—Youth's Companion.

The Big, Red Apple.

O. R. E.

Once upon a time there was a high apple-tree in a little boy's back yard. There were many apples on the tree. There were many red apples, but they were all little. There were many big apples, but they were all green. But, way up on the top of the tree was one big, red apple. And one day the little boy went out into the yard to play; and when he was tired playing, he looked at the apples on the apple-tree. And he saw all the red little apples, and all the big green apples. Then he saw up at the top of the tree the big, red apple. And he went into the house, and said to his papa, "Papa, may I have the big, red apple at the top of the high apple-tree?"

And his papa said, "Yes."
"But," said the little boy, "How can I get it? It is too high for the ladder, and too high to climb."

And the father said, "When the apple is ripe, it will fall to the ground. Every morning you can run out into the yard and see."

So the next morning after breakfast the little boy ran out into the yard and looked up at the top of the high apple-tree. And what do you think he saw? The big, red apple!

And he went into the house, and said to his papa, "When will the big, red apple fall to the ground?"

And his papa said, "Some day it will fall."

And the next day, after breakfast, the little boy ran out into the yard and looked up at the top of the high apple-tree. And what do you think he saw? The big, red apple, way up at the top of the high apple-tree!

And he went into the house and said to his papa, "When will the big, red apple fall to the ground?"

And his papa said, "Some day it will fall."

And the next day the little boy ran out into the yard and looked up at the apple-tree, and there was the big, red apple, way up on the top of the high apple-tree. And the little boy went into the house and said to his papa, "When will the big, red apple fall to the ground?"

And his papa said, "Some day it will fall."

And the little boy said, "Do you think it will fall to-morrow?"

And the papa said, "Some day it will fall."

And the next day, after breakfast, the little boy went out into the yard and looked up at the top of the high apple-tree. And what do you think he saw? There was not any big, red apple at the top of the apple-tree! And he ran into the house, weeping, and said to his papa, "Papa, papa, the big, red apple is gone! I looked up at the top of the high apple-tree, and the big, red apple is gone!"

And the papa said, "You funny little boy! The big, red apple has fallen to the ground, and you must

run out and look in the grass under the apple-tree to find it."

So the little boy went out into the yard, and looked in the green grass under the apple-tree. And there were many red apples lying in the grass, but they were all little apples. And there were many big apples lying in the grass, but they were all green. And by and by he found one big, red apple, and he knew that was the apple that used to be up at the top of the apple-tree.

And he ran into the house with the big, red apple and said to his mamma, "I would like to give a little piece of the apple to papa and a little piece to mamma, and I would like to eat a little piece myself; and the rest I would like mamma to bake for my supper."

And when supper time came, there was a big piece of baked apple on the little boy's plate for his supper. And he gave a little of it to his mamma, and a little of it to papa, and the rest of it he ate himself.

And the next morning, after breakfast, the little boy went out into the yard, and looked up at the top of the high apple-tree. And his papa saw him looking up at the top of the high apple-tree, and said to him, "Why are you looking up at the top of the high apple-tree?"

And the little boy said, "I was looking at where the big, red apple was."

The Things that Money Can't Buy.

A college president recently said in an address: "College professors are miserably paid. The full professor in a New York State college gets, on an average, a salary equal to that of a railroad engineer, and an assistant professor the same as a fireman, while an instructor is equally rewarded with a brake man."

Measured in dollars and cents this is probably true, but what does it prove? Supposing that the railroad men should even receive more than a college instructor (the president of a railroad usually receives more than the president of a college), has anything yet been proved? Is the reward a college professor receives to be judged wholly by the size of the check? Are the advantages of a college education all financial? President Patton, of Princeton, when asked the question, why a young man should go to college, gave two reasons: first, that a man should have a higher aim in life than mere money-getting; second, that a man should try to make the most of himself. Two somewhat similar reasons might be given in reply to the question, why a man should teach in college. Only in this case the teacher is trying to make the most, not of himself, but of his students.

American colleges are not money-making institutions. Every college in the country puts more money into the student than he pays in tuition fees and college expenses. The professor who quietly declined the offer of a larger salary in some other institution and continues to teach in his alma mater, must find his greatest emolument in his love for his work and the affection of his students. For obvious reasons the financial side must, to some extent, be considered, but a worse thing could hardly befall the colleges than that men should seek professorships for the salaries alone. The professor in the chair and the minister in the pulpit, who are there solely for the purpose of making money, have mistaken their calling!—Saturday Evening Post.

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Washington, D. C., Feb. 18, 1901.

MY DEAR AUNT:

I was very glad to receive your letter and ought to have answered it before. I go to school and am very fond of playing in my leisure hours. We are having beautiful weather here in Washington, more like our May weather at home. The people are riding in open cars. The session is getting near the close and I am very glad as I like Maine better than Washington. Mamma has had the grip, and it really hasn't left enough of her worth talking about, but when she does get able she will try and write and tell you about it, as there is enough in it to fill a book. Papa is nicely, but he also will be very glad when the session closes. There is some talk of an extra session, but papa does not think there will be one at present. I was sorry that we could not come up to Bethel last summer. I want to see that baby. Thanking you again for writing me such a nice letter, I am,

Yours truly,
Harold.

THE SMALLEST BLACKSMITH

Jack Donnell, Four Years of Age, Shoes Great Big Horses.

John Donnell, aged 4 years, blacksmith. This is the proud title claimed by an Alameda (Cal.) youngster, and he has been two years proving to his family and to any outsider who might be sufficiently interested to observe his doings that he was, as the children say, a "truly blacksmith."

Since two years ago, when one of the neighbors permitted little Jack Donnell to ride about in his children's pony cart and to stroke, when any one was good enough to hold him up, the sides of the tiny Shetland pony, Jack Donnell has been the slave of that pony. He cared for nothing that took him away from it. In course of time the animal had to be shod, and Jack accompanied the boy who led the horse to the blacksmith's shop. From that time his vocation was settled. There was nothing possible for him but the life of the smithy. Whenever he could steal away from his mother—they lived only across the street—he would hasten to the shop and sit for hours before the forge contentedly watching the smith as he cut a strip of iron and plunged it deep into the coals, then with a pumping of the bellows caused the fire to glow brightly. With interested air he noted, for this was an old fashioned shop, the red-hot piece of iron fashioned into a horseshoe. His face would grow even more serious as the horse's foot steamed when the hot shoe was pressed upon it, and he trembled with solemn wonder when the hoof was shaved and the shoe fastened in place.

Soon Jack began to pry into things, and the good natured blacksmith, amused by the boy's precocious questions, permitted him first to take up the pony's foot and examine it, next to hold the shoe in place while he showed him how the nails should go and finally, under his direction, to drive the nails.

That was nearly two years ago, and little Jack is still, on his fourth birthday, as true to his chosen trade as then. He has, however, advanced. He is now permitted to shoe a horse 14 hands high instead of a pony standing 30 inches in his shoes.

To the query, "Do you like to shoe horses, Jack?" he vouchsafed only a nod. Asked when he began his work, he gravely replied, "When I was a little boy."

His mother from the house across the street called to him, and he reluctantly started toward home.

"It's no use," said the blacksmith. "He's cut out for a blacksmith, and he'll never be anything else. She needn't be afraid he'll get hurt. He's got lots of sense, and people seem to know how to take care of themselves in the business it's right for them to follow."—San Francisco Chronicle.

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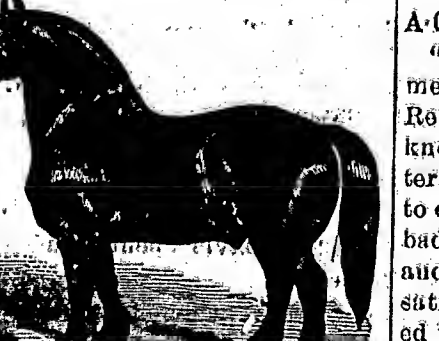


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